

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Small Entity)

Docket No.
17581

In Re Application Of: John Smit

JUN 19 2006

Application No. 09/743,731	Filing Date April 25, 2001	Examiner David J. Steadman	Customer No. 23389	Group Art Unit 1656	Confirmation No. 7587
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Invention: CLEAVAGE OF CAULOBACTER PRODUCED RECOMBINANT FUSION PROTEINS

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action
of March 16, 2006 in the above-identified application. Notice of Appeal filed
Date OIPE date March 20, 2006

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: May 20, 2006 *Date* until: June 20, 2006 *Date*

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

The fee for the extension of time is \$60 and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **19-3886/RCT**
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **19-3886/RCT**
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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